

MINUTES

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 736 RICHLAND AVENUE, W., AIKEN, S. C.

REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 17, 2004 – 7:00 P. M.

(A) CALL TO ORDER

Determining that a quorum was present, Chairman Young called the meeting to order.

Council Members present:

Chairman Ronnie Young
Kathy Rawls
Scott Singer
LaWana McKenzie
Chuck Smith
Eddie Butler
Charles Barton
Rick Osbon
Willar H. Hightower, Jr.

Also present:

J. Clay Killian, County Administrator
Robert M. Bell, County Attorney
Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

(B) INVOCATION

Councilman Hightower led in the invocation.

(C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Osbon led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(D) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 20, 2004 Worksession
2. January 20, 2004 Regular Meeting
3. February 3, 2004 Worksession
4. February 3, 2004 Regular Meeting

- a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Hightower seconded.
- b. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote with Councilwoman Rawls, Councilwoman McKenzie and Councilman Butler abstaining from the vote on the February 3, 2004 minutes.

(E) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a. Councilwoman McKenzie made a motion to amend and approve the agenda as follows:
 1. Add Consent Item 4 – A Proposed Resolution To Approve a One-Time Funding Allocation to the African American History Art and Cultural Center.

- b. Councilman Butler seconded the motion. The amended agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

(F) AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 1. Proposed Resolution to Commend Aiken County Employees for their Dedication Shown to the Citizens of Aiken County During the Recent Ice Storm.
(County Council)
 - a. Councilwoman McKenzie made a motion to approve the Resolution. Councilman Hightower seconded.
 - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

(G) OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Proposed Resolution to Appoint Two Persons to the Capital Projects Sales Tax Commission.
(County Council)
 - a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the appointment of Richard Smith. Councilman Osbon seconded.
 - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

(H) CONSENT AGENDA/INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

I. REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Proposed Resolution to Appoint One Member to Designated Boards, Commissions and Committees with Terms of the Appointees to Run Concurrent with that of the Councilmember from Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.
(Rawls, Singer, McKenzie, Smith, Butler, Barton, Osbon)
- 2. Proposed Resolution to Approve the Allocation of Funds for Various Non Profit Agencies from the FY 2004 Council Contingency Fund.
(County Council)
- 3. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Distribution of Accommodations Tax Funds.
(Development Committee)
- 4. Proposed Resolution to Approve a One-Time Funding Allocation to the African American History Art and Cultural Center.
(ADDITION)
 - a. Councilman Butler made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Hightower seconded.
 - b. The Consent Agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

(I) ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND THE PUBLIC RECORD

- 1. Fiscal Year 2004 Aiken County Contingency Report as of February 4, 2004.

(J) INFORMAL MEETING OF WHOLE

- a. Mr. Eddie Seigler approached Council with a noise problem in his neighborhood caused by a daycare facility next door to his home. He indicated that County staff had been assisting him in mediating the problem and that a six foot fence was to be erected by the daycare to cut down on the noise. Mr. Seigler also stated that he had requested assistance from the Sheriff's Office to enforce the noise portion of the County Nuisance Ordinance but he had not received a positive response.
- b. Council asked Mr. Killian to discuss the issue with Sheriff Hunt.
- c. Councilman Singer stated for the record that the County had received its annual audit report from the Elliott Davis Firm. The County had been given an unqualified opinion and high praise and comments from the auditors. Councilman Singer went on to commend the County staff for a job well done.
- d. Councilman Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman McKenzie seconded.
- e. The motion to adjourn passed by unanimous vote.

(K) EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Legal Matters:
 - a. Status Report on Pending Litigation, Legal Claims and Legal Advice.
(County Attorney) (Verbal)
2. Contractual Matters:
3. Personnel Matters:

(L) ADJOURNMENT – 7:35 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNED:

Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

Ronnie Young, Chairman